

an officer of the French Legion of Honor and holds membership in the North Carolina Society of Engineers, the Pacific Society of Engineers, the Chinese-American Association of Engineers and the Engineers Club of Philadelphia.

The Hoover Medal was formally instituted on April 8, 1930, during the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, to commemorate the civic and humanitarian achievements of Herbert Hoover and to whom the first award was made. The second recipient was Ambrose Swasey in 1936. Conrad N. Lauer, fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and president of the Philadelphia Gas Works, created the award in 1929 with the gift of a trust fund which is held by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and administered by the Hoover Medal Board of Award, consisting of representatives of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE

A FULL account of the Richmond meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the scientific societies associated with it, edited by the permanent secretary, will be printed in the issue of SCIENCE for February 3.

Officers for 1939 were elected as follows:

President: Walter B. Cannon, Harvard University.

Vice-presidents of the Association and chairmen of the sections:

Mathematics (A): Marston Morse, Princeton University.

Physics (B): E. O. Lawrence, University of California.

Chemistry (C): Roger Adams, University of Illinois.

Astronomy (D): C. A. Chant, David Dunlap Observatory, Richmond Hill, Ontario, Canada.

Geology and Geography (E): Kirk Bryan, Harvard University.

Zoological Sciences (F): W. R. Coe, Yale University.

Botanical Sciences (G): Neil E. Stevens, University of Illinois.

Anthropology (H): Neil Judd, U. S. National Museum.

Psychology (I):

Social and Economic Sciences (K): Warren S. Thompson, Scripps Foundation, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

Historical and Philological Sciences (L): L. C. Karpinski, University of Michigan.

Engineering (M):

Medical Sciences (N): C. J. Wiggers, Western Reserve University.

Agriculture (D): Henry Schmitz, University of Minnesota.

Education (Q): M. R. Trabue, Pennsylvania State College.

Members of the Sectional Committees:

Mathematics (A): W. M. Whyburn, University of California at Los Angeles.

Physics (B): E. U. Condon, Westinghouse Research Laboratories, East Pittsburgh.

Chemistry (C): M. T. Bogert, Columbia University.

Astronomy (D): Robert H. Baker, University of Illinois.

Geology and Geography (E): William W. Rubey, U. S. Geological Survey.

Zoological Sciences (F): J. T. Patterson, University of Texas.

Botanical Sciences (G): E. N. Transeau, the Ohio State University.

Anthropology (H): Frank Speck, University of Pennsylvania.

Psychology (I):

Social and Economic Sciences (K): Carl Snyder, New York, N. Y.

Historical and Philological Sciences (L): Henry E. Sigerist, the Johns Hopkins University.

Engineering (M):

Medical Sciences (N): E. W. Goodpasture, Vanderbilt University.

Agriculture (O): H. C. Thompson, Cornell University.

Education (Q): Edward S. Evenden, Columbia University.

The Council: H. W. Odum, University of North Carolina; W. T. Vaughan, Richmond, Virginia.

The Executive Committee: J. McKeen Cattell, Garrison, N. Y.; Burton E. Livingston, the Johns Hopkins University, and Esmond R. Long, Henry Phipps Institute, Philadelphia (to fill the term vacant by the death of Earl B. McKinley).

Members of the Committee on Grants-in-aid: R. C. Fuson, University of Illinois; Vincent du Vigneaud, Cornell University Medical School.

Member of the Finance Committee: Charles S. Baker, Washington, D. C.

Nomination for Board of Trustees of Science Service: E. G. Conklin, Princeton University.

RECENT DEATHS AND MEMORIALS

DR. THOMAS WINGATE TODD, Henry Wilson Payne professor of anatomy at Western Reserve University and director of the Hamann Museum of Comparative Anthropology and Anatomy, died on December 28 in his fifty-fourth year.

DR. CALVIN BLACKMAN BRIDGES, known for his work in genetics at Columbia University and the California Institute of Technology under the Carnegie Institution, died on December 27 in his fiftieth year.

ARTHUR C. VEATCH, consulting geologist, pre-